

# Spring forward! Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

# News Briefs

Prison officials to hold

open meeting
ESMOR Corrections Corporation, along with local
officials in Pahokee, will be
holding an information session for the public at 7 p.m.,
April 3, at the Prince Theater. Tentative plans also
include officials from Glades
County where a privately

include officials from Glades County, where a privately build and operated prison is under construction.

ESMOR will be unveiling an artist's rendering of the facility so the public will be able to see what the facility will look like. The session is free and open to the public. Everyone is uncouraged to attend and ask questions. Refreshments will be served.

Public Workshop

Public Workshop
The Governor's Commission for a Sustainable South
Florida will hold a public
workshop in Clewiston on
April 4, at the John Boy
Auditorium, South W.C.
Owen Avenue, from 7 to
9:45 p.m.
The 37-member commission, appointed by Governor.
Lawton Chiles, has been
working since April 1994 on
recommendations to assure
a healthy Everglades ecosystem can occusit with a growing population and economy.
The commission's first report is to be delivered to
the Governor and Cabinet
July 1. Two similar public
workshops will be held April
5 in Pompano Beach and
April 6 in Miami.
For more information conset the Converse Convert to

April 6 in Miami.

For more information contact the Governor's Commission for a Sustainable South Florida, 1550 Madruga Avenue, Suite 220, Coral Gables, Florida, 33146 (305) 669-6973).

Easter Cantata planned The Chancel Choir of Community United Methodist Church will present an Easter Cantata Then Came The Morning' by Bill and Gloria Gather, arranged and orchestrated by Ovid Young. There will be an organ and piano prelude of Easter music by Karen Corbin and Gloria Smith. Peatured soloists are Milton Carpenter. Philippulany, Rachel Hollingsworth, Ken Lutz, Monica Schmidt, Carol Schmidt and Becky Watson. The chöir is under the direction of Carol Schmidt. This resurrection musical celebration will be presented Sunday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary at 401 Southwest First Street, Belle Glade. The public is invited.

Musical drama offered First Baptist Church of Pahokee invites the communities to attend the musical drama 'Crown Him King of Kings.' The singing will be performed by the choir with solos sung by Julie Taylor, 'Just for Jesus' Quartet, Bud Douglas, Sandra, Longoria and William Burroughs.

The drama will be performed by the choir members of First Baptist Church. Admission is free and there will be two performances, Saturday, April 15, at 7 p.m., and again Easter Sunday morning, April 16, at 10:45 a.m. Musical drama offered



Working the window at "Micky D's"...Dr. Effe Grear, principal at Glades Central Community
High School mans the window and register at McDonalds in Belle Glade last Friday to help raise money
for the new school's bleachers and other items needed, but not funded by the Palm Beach County School
Board. McDonalds agreed to donate a part of that day's receipts to the cause.

SUNPHOTO by Brenda Bunting

# Juvenile facility to take first inmates June 1996

Tammy Jackson
Staff Reporter
Pahokee city officials traveled to Texas recently
to personally view a juvenile facility that will be
similar to the facility the city was recently award.

ENUTY CONTRICTOR COPPORATION WIll be in Pahokee April 3 in hopes of answering and addressing
any concerns the public map have concerning the
facility that could bring hundreds of jobs to the
presently strained economy in Pahokee and
throughout the Glades.
According to Pahokee Vice Mayor John Norman,
the City of Pahokee began to actively search to
heing the juvenile facility, to the area in hopes of
boosting the economy. He said he is favor of the private-run facility and he is sure the city and the surrounding communities will benefit from it.
City officials have been promised that the facility
will hire as many local residents as possible.
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will hire as many local residents as possible.
Officials have yet to announce a definite site for
the facility because there are two locations that are
still being looked at. However, a tentative site is
properly off of the Larrimore Road Ext. The Palm ESMOR Corrections Corporation will be in Pah

Beach County School Board donated the property to the city years ago. Another site is private land that the city hopes to have either donated or swapped for the property near the Larrimore Road Ext.

The vice mayor said he is optomistic that the city's residents are in favor of the facility. He said he has heard very little negative feedback from the community members. He said some of the residents in Glades Citizens Villas (housing development near one of the proposed sites for the facility) have expressed concern because they the facility) have expressed con the facility) have expressed concern because they want to know if and when the facility would

want to know if and when the facility would expand, thus moving closer to their homes. Comm. Norman said this will definitely not occur because coning would have to be approved and the city will not approve such measures. The commissioner said once construction begins on the facility, the project will be completed in 13 months. He said the prison could be up and running by June 1996.

The public is invited to attend the public meeting at the Prince Theatre in Pahokee. An artist's rendition of the facility will be available for viewing.

# Youth arrested when he goes to hospital for gunshot wound

shots hit Damon. The juvenile fled the scene.

Later, a boy fitting the description of the carjacker walked into Glades General Hospital, Belle Glade, for treatment of a gunshot.

Following treatment, the juvenile was arrested and taken into custody.



Hats off to a great Spring Fling event at Glades Day School...The annual Spring Fling at as enjoyed by many citizens in the ared. The para-row, from left third place winner Bre K Markha winner Montana Sullivan. In the second row, fro place winner Casey Underwood. Not shown is fir

# Pahokee commissioners seeking re-election

Commissioners yet to receive oppostion for \$4,800 per year job

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Tammy Jackson
Staff Rapper
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Police respond to hit and run

By Brenda Bunting ditor A 16-year-old Belle Glade

A 16-year-old Belle Glade teenager is in stable condition in Pediatric Intensive Care at St. Mary's Hospital after being the victim on a hit and run accident Saturday night. At 8:34 p.m., March 25, Patrolman James Reid responded to a call at the intersection of Southwest Saxth Street and Southwest Saxth Street and Southwest Saxth Street and Southwest Saxth Street and Southwest One of Southwest Saxth Street and Southwest One of Southwest Saxth Street and Saxth Street Saxth Saxth Street Saxth Sa

Regional Medical Center for 15 years where he is, the chemistry supervisor in the lab. Married for six years, he and his wife, Debbie, have a 3-year-old son. Singletary said he is looking for re-election because he is interested in the growth of the city. A resident of the Glades since 1945, the commissioner said his campaign will focus on the the strides the city is presently making. He also said he is excited about the juvenile facilty in the city. Comm. Singletary said he is interested in bringing industry to Pahokee, and he is in favor of expanding the campground when funding is available.

Comm. Singletary is married to Elise Singletary. He has owned his own television-repair business for 34 years. The 60-year-old politician is the father of grown children.

At newspaper press time, Anhoke City Clerk Debbie

At newspaper press time, Pahokee City Clerk Debbie Palmer said neither commissioner has received opposition. The last day to qualify for the Pahokee election is March 31, The election will be held May 2.

car subsequently spun out of central, hitting, Starling, She was taken by Trauma Hawk to St. Many's Hospital.

At approximately 2 a.m. the next morning, Eddie B. Hodges of 1622 Northwest 12th Street, Belle Glade, turned himself in at the Belle Glade Police Department where he jeconfessed to driving the dark green Oldsmobile involved in the accident.

the accident.

Hodges said he abandoned
the car in the 600 block of
Southwest Nimh Street. Hodges
denied to police any knowledge
that the juvenile had been
rigured. He was taken into
custody and booked into the
Palm Beach County Jail
Bond was-later set at \$1,000.

# Man listed in fair condition after being shot in the back

By Brenda Bunting Editor

Editor
Police say they have a suspect in the early Sunday morning shooting of a Belle Glademan. Belle Glade officers responded to a 9-1-1 call about 1 a.m. March 26. The caller said a man had been shed in said a man had been shot in the bathroom at the Lake Shore Civic Center.

When patrolmen Charlie

Wilson and Bric Schuster arrived they found deffrey Taylor with a gunshiot would in the back.

Taylor was taken to St. Mary's Hospital by Trauma Hawk. His condition as been upgraded from critical to fair this week. Police declined to given details on the suspect in the shooting but hope to make an arrest soon.

# Officials feel city has chance at Enterprise Zone designation

Enterprise Zone
Following a public hearing
for citizens input last Monday
night, the Belle Glade City
Commission authorized Mayor
J. Stephen Weeks to execute
an interlocal agreement for-a
joint application for a Florida
Enterprise Zone designation.
The State of Florida will
award 20 designations, and
Belle Glade, along with the
cities of South Bay, West Palm
Beach, and Riviera Beach,
feels the nominated area has a
good chance of receiving one of
the designations. The cities
are subpritting their joining
application under the direction
of Palm Beach County Economic Development.

or Paim Beach County Eco-nomic Development. City officials say the Florida Enterprise Zone designation has the potential to provide substantial economic benefits

e designation

and advantages to areas which
have high levels of poverty,
unemployment, and general
economic distress. If the application, is successful, some of
the expected benefits to attract
businesses include investments, tax incentives, and regulatory relief.

The overall total area for the
proposed Enterprise Zone designation is composed of 92
square miles with Belle
Glade's shape being approximately 2.40 square miles. The
proposed area to be designed
in Belle Glade is bordered by.
S.W. Avenue G on the south
and on the horth by the area
morth of Airport East no enter
side of S.R.-15. The zone is
bordered on the east by Mis

Street and on the west by

State Road 715.

# Pahokee Church of the Nazarene holding revival with Rev. Kelly Green

The Pahokee Church of the Dever. At that time he was a Nasarene will be holding a revival with Rev. Kelly Millington, Tenn. Naval Green starting March 29 Base. Rev. Green is a single through April 2. Rev. Green parent with two daughters pastors the Lake Placid ages 12 and 10.

Church of the Nazarene and was converted under the sented every night at 7 p.m., ministry of Pastor William and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6

p.m.
The community is invited to these special services where the gospel is preached with love and the truths of the messages are from the Work of God. For furthur information, you may contact Pastor Dever at 924-7998.

# Health FIRST Paula Swaford, R.N.



Heart disease strikes like ild flowers grow, anywhere

and everywhere!!

A 13 year old loses his life to cardiovascular disease. Heart disease is no respecter of persons, young or old, it can affect anyone, regardless of physical condition, age, sex, race or ethnic group. Over 56,500,000 American have some form of cardiovascular disease, according to cular disease, according to the American Heart Assn.

Cardiovascular disease is a term used to describe a wide range of disorders that effect both the heart (cardio) and blood vessels (vascular).

blood vessels (vascular).
The pain of a heart attack
is NOT exactly the same for
everyone. Some experience
entense pain while others
have-mild pain which they
think is only indigestion. The
pain while does not always
occur in the chest, you may
have pain in your jaw, neck
or arms.

or arms.

Some important heart attack signals according to the American Heart Association: If you feel an uncomfortable pressure. Fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of your chest which may spread to the shoulders, may spread to the shoulders, may spread to the shoulders, may be a some spread to the shoulders, squeezing or MORE THAN TWO (2) MINUTES; If you experience pain, dizziness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath. Not ALL of these signals are always

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present or they may subside and then return. CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY!!

and then return. CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY!

To avoid problems with the heart, it is recommended that we try to exercise regularly to reduce the risk of heart disease. There is evidence that exercise strengthens the heart and improves circulation. Eat a healthy diet that includes foods low in cholesterol (such as chicken, turkey, fish and beans), skimmed mild and vegetated in the strength of the stre ing. DON'T SMOKE!! Smok-ing narrows your blood ves-sels and more than DOU-BLES your risk of heart dis-sess. Wait at home when you experience heart attack sig-nals and CALL YOUR DOC-TOR OR 911.

Till next time, stay informed and stay healthy.

Nobody can be so amusingly arrogant as a young man who has just discovered an old idea and thinks it is his own.



# Debris tells researchers about tornadoes and thunderstorms



By Mike Lyons
She said her name was
Amy Wyatt. She's a graduate
assistant in the meteorology
department at the University
of Oklahoma. She called me
last week to ask for some
assistance in a weather
research noriect.

assistance in a weather research project.
I told Ms. Wyatt that I would be happy to offer, be any help I could: After all, the University of Oklahoma has one of the best weather schools in the country. In addition, the meteorology department is always on the cutting edge of new scientific breakthroughs in weather forecasting.

breakthroughs in weather forecasting.
Frankly, I was feeling pretty special that Ms. Wyatt wanted my help in her project. I could only imagine what she was working on: a study on Doppler radars, perhaps or an examination of

vinced it must be very repor-tant.

"What can I do for you?," I asked. There was a brief pause on the other end of the line before Ms. Wyatt spoke again. We're wondering if you've seen any cancelled checks from Oklahoma or Texas recently," she said.

HuN? Cancelled check from Oklahoma or Texas?

Huh? Cancelled check from Oklahoma or Texas?
"Actually." Ms. Wyatt continued. "We're looking for cancelled checks that might be floating in the air or serunched up on the ground."

I was more than a little confused and disappointed until Ms. Wyatt explained why she was so interested in bank notes from Oklahoma. It is part of what's being called the Tornado Debris Project.

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Project.
What we're trying to do in
the Tornado Debris Project is
to determine how far debris
can be transported in a tornado," Ms. Wyatt told me.
"Debris" like legal documents, envelopes, invoices
and cancelled checks. The and cancelled checks. The group is especially interested in any document that con-tains an address. "The goal of our project is to locate some traceable debris," Ms. Wyatt said.

thunderstorm development. "Once we find that debris and Whatever it was I was convinced it must be very important. "Under your of the first way." I was a does and severe thunder-

does and severe thunderstorms."

This is the second year Ms.
Wyatt and her colleagues
have been looking for debris.
Last year, despite a relatively
quiet storm season in Oklahoma and Texas, the group
"A relatively weak tornado
developed near Tuskahoma,
Okla. on April 25, of last
year," Ms. Wyatt said. "The
tornado destroyed a storage
shed full of all sorts of documents." Ms. Wyatt said documents from that shed were
found in Fort Smith, Ark.
That's about 70 miles away!
The next day two tornadoes
hif the 'Gainesville,' Texas
area. Ms. Wyatt said the public responded with six reports
of debris. "Four of the debris
items were traced to a ranch
about 4 miles from the site of

items were traced to a ranch about 4 miles from the site of the tornado." Ms. Wyatt said. "But, the other two debris items were found much fur-

items were found much fur-ther away." A title deed from the sale of property was detected 40 miles away while a cancelled check was discovered in Cas-so, Okla., nearly 60 miles from the source. Ms. Wyatt

was amazed.
"If a weak tornado can "If a weak tornado can transport a bank note?0 miles from its source what will a larger, more powerful tornado do?", she asked. That's what the Tornado Debris Project hopes to find out in the coming months. If you happen to run across an envelope from Oklahoma or a bank note from Texas.

or a bank note from Texas, Ms. Wyatt would like to hear from you. The 24-hour Torna-do Debris Hotline is 1-800-3DEBRIS.

Mike Lyons is the weather man for WPBF, Channel 25.

Look for the ridiculous in everything and you will find it. —Jules Renard

"Boy, the IRS is always \_\_ing you when you least expect it, take VITA for example."

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# WIFE celebrates AG Week by educating area fourth graders

Everglades WIFE (Women Involved in Farm Economics), Chapter 101, celebrated National Agriculture Week March 19-26 by going into fourth grade classrooms in the Glades and teaching the stu-dents the importance of agri-

WIFE member Iris Tanner, who is also the legislative aide to Senator Ken Jenne, spoke to the students about where their

the students about where their food originates and passed out ag related games and puzzles. WIFE member Brenda Bunting showed a film titled "Growing Better Every Day." The tape is put together by the

Ag Council of America. Each classroom was given an Ag Day poster and a fact-filled booklet about Florida gricul-ture. The booklets were donat-ed by Sen. Jenne's office.

At the conclusion of the pre-At the conclusion of the pre-sentation, students and teach-ers were told they were urged to participate in an essay con-test titled 'What Agriculture Means to Me.' The students were encouraged to write a one-page essay on the subject. All essays will be forwarded to Washington, D.C. to our pation's notice makers.

nation's policy makers.

One fourth grade student from each school will be chosen

the grand prize winner in the contest and will receive a \$50 savings bond from WIFE. WIFE President Linda Parker said the contest was designed to get students thinking about the importance of agriculture in our everyday lives.

lives.
Schools visited included
Belle Glade Elementary, Gove
Elementary, Glade View Elementary, Glades Day School,
Rosenwald Elementary, Pahokee Elementary, Canal Point
Elementary, and in Clewiston,
both West and Eastside Elementary Schools were chosen mentary Schools were chosen to participate.

Ag Week activities...Members of WIFE (Women Involved in Farm Economics) celebrated National Agriculture Week March 19-25 by speaking to fourth grade students throughout the Glades. Shown, front row, from left, are students at Rosenwald Elementary School, Michael Rainey, Lasharonte Williams, Varance Ramos and Omar Cervantes. In the back row, from left, are 1ris Tanner, legislative aide to Sen. Ken Jenne and member of WIFE, Cherricka Smith and Principal Earlene Harrelle.

# Belle Glade Police Department's arrest blotter

The Belle Glade Police Department investigated 690 complaints the week of March complaints the week of March 20 through March 26 and han-dled 30 crime scenes. Arrests March 20 through March 26 included: March 20 - Juvenile, 14, bur-glary; Robert Wilkerson, 41, contempt of court wirent:

glary; Robert Wilkerson, 41, contempt of court warrant; Anthony Carnady, 23, resisting arrest, obstruction of justice. March 21 - Milton Williams, 18, violation of probation; Johnnie Little, 22, grand theft auto; juvenile, 15, grand theft auto; juvenile, 15, burglary of an auto; juvenile, 14, grand theft auto; Kenny McFarland, 35, trespassing.

theft auto; Kenny McFarland, 35, trespassing.
March 22- Bobby Lee Turner, 40, grand theft, burglary, possession of narrotics, opposing nd obstructing by fleeing; Turus Woodson, 19, domestic battery, possession of narcotics, resisting arrest without violence, possession of narcotics with intent to sell; Douglas Stokes, 35, possession of nar-

cotics paraphernalia; juvenile, 15, throwing a deadly missile; Gloria Gibson, 24, possession of cocaine, possession of mari-Gloria Gibson, 24, possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana; Eric Wint, 34, sale of cocaine, sale of marijuana; George McIntosh, 45, possession of narcotics, carrying a concealed weapon; Diane Bakara, 22 agravanted battery;

concealed weapon; Diane Bak-er, 22, aggravated battery; Louisiana Jones, 33, posses-sion of narotics paraphernalia. March 23 - No arrests. March 24 - Carla Clayton, 23, throwing a deadly missile, aggravated battery; Arthur Ruffin, 23, domestie battery; Freddie Taylor, 28, possession of narcotics; Susan Ruffin, 29, domestie battery; Cathy

of narcotics; Susan Ruffin, 29, domestic battery; Cathy Mallizio, 31, pessitution. March 25 - Juan Huerta, 28, carrying a concealed firearm, discharging a firearm from a vehicle; Enoch Clayton, 34, domestic battery simple; John in Louis, 34, domestic battery simple; Collins McDonald, 42, passession of narcotics parapossession of narcotics para-phernalia.

March 26 - Eddie Hodges, 23, leaving the scene of an acci-dent with injuries; Pablo Morales, 67, retail theft; Gilberto Garcia, 39, disorderly

intoxication.
Editor's note: The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it. print it.



# Pahokee Police arrest blotter

Those arrested by the Paho-kee Police Department the week of March 19-25: Sunday, March 19 Lee Young, 26, Pahokee, warrant for selling cocaine. Monday, March 20 No arrests

Wednesday, March 22 - No Thursday, March 23 - No

arrests made.
Friday, March 24 - Robert
Jenkins, 18, Bogulueda,
grand theft; Luis Sepulueda,
25, Pahokee, domestic battery.
Saturday, March125 No





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# OPINION PAGE



# Feel strongly about local issues?

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To voice your opinion on any subject, call Speak Out at 996-6636, 24 hours a day. Readers can use this special number to pose questions, voice complaints, express opinions or pat somebody on the back. Unlike letters to the editor, Speak Out is designed for anonymous expression of opinions. We edit calls for clarity, brevity, relevance and fairness.

# Is the hospital operating on

employees' insurance checks?

Is the hospital operating on employees' insurance checks?

This is written as a general information issue. Our local hospital is tax supported by hardworking taxpayers of Belle Glade and the surrounding areas. Is there anyone who can provide these taxpayers information on the following?

Benefits are advertised as part of the package for employees for this hospital. Part of this includes health care insurance. Under the present management, the hospital-deducts from the employees' paycheck (under the family plan). Under the single plan, the hospital pays for the insurance. All this sounds like standard operating plans. However, there is a big problem with the employees getting their doctor and hospital bills paid in a timely manner. The employees have, been turned over to collection energies causing some unnecessary problems with their credit. The self-insured fund writes the checks to cover the health care, however, the hospital holds onto the checks for months. This allows them to operate—on the employees' health care checks with no interest to the employee for using their money.

ee for using their money.

I know this is unethical and immoral. Is

Neil Whipkey, administrator at Glades Neil Whipkey, administrator at Glades General Hospital responds: Glades Gen-eral Hospital has provided benefits to its employees for, many years through a self-insurance program established by the hos-pital. As we are all aware, the cost of health care has spiraled in recent years. The increase in cost for delivery of health care, when coupled with the hospital's past financial problems, has led to the hospital not keeping current with all payments for medical expenses of its employees pursuant to its self-insurance program for employee

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health care. Fortunately, most providers
have been very supportive of the hospital
and understanding of the financial prob-lems which did not allow the hospital to
keep current its payments for medical
expenses associated with the health insurance of its employees.
The hospital has determined that in
order to avoid these problems in the future

order to avoid these problems in the future it is best to cease providing a self-insur-ance program for the health care of its ance program for the health care of its employees and instead provide health insurance through a private commercial insurance company. The hospital has secured sufficient funding to pay off all outstanding obligations under its health care self-insurance program. Effective April 1, 1995 the hospital will-provide health insurance covering for its omnlower. health insurance coverage for its employees through Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

We apologize for any inconvenience suf-fered by our employees or their health care providers and are most appreciative of everyone's indulgence.

### Who's being ripped off?

who soeing ripped off:

"I'm very tired of receiving unsolicited
mail and phone calls, as was another concerned Speak Out person. Today I received
a four-page copy chain letter headed by a
supposed attorney, Philip A. Brown. I was
to send a dollar, cash, to five names listed.
I was offered more names if I sent it to a
Ft. Lauderdale address. Would 10 new
names cost \$13? Five hundred names cost
\$55. I was warned not to put a return
address on anything. I was reassured that
this was a legal, helpful service and I was
to refer to Title 18, Section 1320 of U.S.
I have real problems with this. I don't
know if the term is fraud or majipulation,
or what. But how did they get my name?
How do these people operate and who are
the real suckers out there?" I'm very tired of receiving unsolicited ail and phone calls, as was another con-



"HEY, MOM... YOU KNOW THE PHASE IM GOING THROUGH; I LIKE IT SO MUCH I THINK I'LL STAY IN IT FOR A WHILE!"

# Letters to the editor-

# Iowa child would like to hear from our readers

Dear Editor:

Hi! I am a fifth grade student at West Ridge
Elementary. I live in a rural community located
in southwest Iowa. Our school has a population
of abut 400 students in kindergarten through

fifth grade.

We are studying the United States and its We are studying the United States and its regions, and I am hoping you can help me with our class project. Could you and your readers respond by sending a picture, a postcard, a convenir, or a few newspaper articles from or about your town, a rea, or state? I appreciate your time, Thank you.

Sincerely, Nancy Norgaard West Ridge Elementary School 1401 19th St. Harlan, Iowa 51537-1599

# Glades General needs to look at how they offer health insurance

Offer health insurance
To: the Citizens of Belle Glade, South Bay
and surrounding areas
Discrimination is alive and well at Glades
General Hospital. Discriminatory practices with
employees health care is now under way.
During a recent visit to a relative at GGH I
overheard the staff discussing their new health
care insurance. It appears there is different
plans or options for the employees living outside of Palm Beach County the employee has the
option of signing up for a HMO or PPO. However, if they live in Palm Beach County there is no
choice.

Needless to say there was discussion regard-ing exactly how to pursue legal recourse. It does ear to this writer that this is blatant dis-

crimination. This I do know, health care profes sions cannot deliver the type of health care you

sions cannot deliver the type of health care you need when they are so upset and concerned about their own health care.

The board of trustees for this hospital need to take a long look at the management that makes this type of situation develop.

# Janet Lovett

Editor's note: We asked Neil Whipkey, administer at Glades General Hospital to respond to this letter. Here is what he had to say:

this letter. Here is what he had to say: I am writing in response to the letter sent to your paper by Janet Lovett of Pahokee. Unfor-tunately, Ms. Lovett worde her letter without the full information on this matter. For many years Glades General Hospital has provided health benefits to its employees through a self-insurance program. It has

through a self-insurance program. It has recently been determined that for the benefit of . both the employees and the hospital, it would be advantageous to provide health insurance to all the employees of Glades General Hospital

be advantageous to provide health insurance to all the employees of Glades General Hospital through a private insurance carrier. Many companies were considered, as well as a variety of programs.

After consideration, the board has chosen Blue Cross/Blue Shield which will allow all employees, regardless of whether they live inside or outside of Palm Beach County, to choose whether the health insurance for themselves and their familias will be provided under an HMO, or PPO offered by Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Some counties where we have employees hiving do not offer HMO providers and there was discussion on their coverage. Clades General Hospital promotes equality for all, and this decision concerning health insurance is consistent with that policy. Unfortunately, Ms. Lovett did not have all the information and see what action the board would take to replace its self-insurance proven for health care, she to would have recover to the hearth and the care, she to would have recover.

would take to replace its self-insurance program for health care, she too would have concluded that Glades General Hospital promotes equality for all.

## Crimestoppers



Crime Stoppers of Palm ocial Security number is 261-51-5031. His occupation is as a laborer. His warrant was active as of March 21, If you know the where abouts of Tate or anyone

involved in a serious c call Crime Stoppers, 1-800 458-8477. You do not have to give your name. You can remain anonymous and receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest or recovery of stolen property.

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# OPINION PAGE



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# Is the hospital operating on

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This is written as a general information issue. Our local hospital is tax supported by hardworking taxpayers of Belle Glade and the surrounding areas. Is there anyone who can provide these taxpayers information on the followine? tion on the following?

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Benefits are advertised as part of the package for employees for this hospital. Part of this includes health care insurance. Under the present management, the hospital deducts from the employees' paycheck (under the family plan). Under the single plan, the hospital pays for the insurance. All this sounds like standard operating plans. However, there is a big problem with the employees getting their doctor and hospital bills paid in a timely manner. The employees the problem with the employees getting their doctor and hospital bills paid in a timely manner. Collection agencies causing some unnecessary problems with their credit. The self-insured fund writes the checks to cover the health care, however, the hospital holds onto the checks for months. This—allows them to operate on the employees' health care checks with no interest to the employee for using their money.

I know this is unethical and immoral. Is it illegal?

Concerned taxpayer."

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Neil Whipkey, administrator at Glades General Hospital responds: Glades Gen-eral Hospital has provided benefits to its employees for many years through a self-insurance program established by the hos-pital. Asswerare all aware, the cost of-health care has spiraled in recent years. The increase in cost for delivery of health care, when coupled with the hospital's past financial problems, has led to the hospital not keeping current with all payments of not keeping current with all payments for medical expenses of its employees pursuant to its self-insurance program for employee

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The hospital has determined that in order to avoid these problems in the future, it is best to cease providing a self-insurance program for the health care of its employees and instead provide health

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"I'm very tired of receiving unsolicited mail and phone calls, as was another concerned Speak Out person. Today I received a four-page copy chain letter headed by a supposed attorney, Philip A. Brown. I was to send a dollar, cash, to five names listed. I was offered more names if I sent it to a Ft. Lauderdale address. Would 10 new names cost \$132. Five hundred names cost \$55. I was warned not to put a return address on anything. I was reassured that this was a legal, helpful service and I was to refer to Title 18. Section 1320 of U.S.

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I have real problems with this. I don't know if the term is fraud or manipulation, or what. But how did they get my name? How do these people operate and who are the real suckers out there?"

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# Letters to the editor

# Iowa shild would like to hear from our readers

Dear Editor:
Hi! I am a fifth grade student at West Ridge
Elementary. I live in a rural community location southwest Iowa. Our school has a population of abut 400 students in kindergarten through

We are studying the United States and its regions, and I am hoping you can help me with our class project. Could you and your readers respond by sending a picture, a postcard, a sou-venir, or a few newspaper articles from or about area, or state? I appreciate your your town, ar

Nancy Norgaard West Ridge Elementary School 1401 19th St. Harlan, Iowa 51537-1599

# Glades General needs to look at how they offer health insurance

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To: the Citizens of Belle-Glade, South Bay
and surrounding areas

Discrimination is alive and well at Glades
General Hospital. Discriminatory practices with
employees health care is now under way.

During a recent visit to a relative at GGH I
overheard the staff discussing their new health
care insurance. It appears there is different
plans or options for the employees living gottside of Palm Beach County if they live outside
of Palm Beach County the employee has the
option of signing up for a HMO or PPO. However, if they live in Palm Beach County there is no
choice.

Needless to say there was discussion regarde legal recourse. It does

crimination. This I do know, health care professions cannot deliver the type of health care you need when they are so upset and concerned about their own health care.

The board of trustees for this hospital need to take a long look at the management that makes this type of situation develop.

Janet Lovett
Pahokee
Editor's note: We asked Neil Whipkey, administer at Glades General Hospital to respond to
this letter. Here is what he had to say:
Tan writing in response to the letter sent to
your paper by Janet Lovett of Pahokee. Unfortunately, Ms. Lovett wrote her letter without
the full information on this matter.
For many years Glades General Hospital has
provided health benefits to its employees
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After consideration, the board has chosen Blus Cross/Blue Shield which will allow all employees, regardless of whether they live inside or outside of Palim Beach Courtry, to choose whether the health insurance for themselves and their families will be provided under an HMO, or PPO offered by Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Some counties where we have employees living do not offer HMO providers and there was discussion on their coverage. Glades General Hospital promotes equality for all, and this decision concerning health insurance is consistent with that policy. Unfortunately, Ms. Lovett did not have all the information, and had she waited to gather that information and see what action the board would take to replace its self-insurance program for health care, she too would have considered that Glades General Hospital provinces and the properties of the control of the properties of the control of th

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Participants are being
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The theme of this year's
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The chamber also has appli cations for the children's fish ing and casting tournament planned for April 8 and for the tennis tournament. The Jubilee night golf tournament will also be April 8. Sign up can be done at the golf course

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Art show planned at Glades General The Glades General Ho

Auxiliary is sponsoring an art sale to be held in the front lob-

sale to be near in the front lob-by of the hospital on April 5, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to attend. Prices for these paint-ings range from \$10 to \$650.

Summer and Fall term Summer and Fall term registration at PBCC Registration for summer and fall terms at Palm Beach Community College begins April 10, for new and currently enrolled students.

enrolled students.

Summer term registration
ends June 22 and classes start
June 26. Additionally, registration for fall term ends Aug. 22,
and classes begin August 23.
For further information, contact the PBCC Glades Campus
in Belle Glade at 996-3055.

Harvest Queen Pageant Harvest Queen Pageant The Harvest Queen Pageant will be held April 21 at 7:30 p.m., at the Dolly Hand Cul-tural Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at Barnett Bank on Main Street in Belle Glade. For additional information, call Becky White at 996-5800.

Applications available for

Applications available for Jubilee parade Participants are being sought for the 1995 Black Gold Jubilee Parade, scheduled for 10 a.m. on April 22. The theme of this year's Jubilee is "Our Home Town paradise." There is no entry fee and trophies will be awarded to the first place winners in each of seven categories.

to the first place winners in each of seven categories. For an application or for more information, call 996-5010 after 5 p.m., or call the Belle Glade Chamber of Com-merce at 996-2745, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

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Belle Glade, from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m.

Dress for the dance will be semi-formal with jackets required for men. Dress jeans for men will be acceptable, but the jackets must also be worn. No one under 21 years of age will be admitted. There will be a cash bar only. No coolers or bottles from the outside will be permitted. Entertainment for the dance will be provided by "Faster Gun" a group from West Palm Beach.

Tickets for the dance can be purchased by calling 996-7251 or from any FOP member. Donation is \$10 per ticket.

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Arts and crafts booth spaces
for the Black Gold Jubilee festival can be purchased by calling the Belle Glade Chamber of
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Jubilee will be April 22 and 23
at the Belle Glade Municipal

The chamber also has appli-cations for the children's fishing and casting tournament planned for April 8 and for the Jubilee night golf tournament. The Jubilee night golf tournament will also be April 8. Sign up can be done at the golf course

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Black Gold Fishing and— Casting Contest
The annual Black Gold
Jubilee Children's Fishing and
Casting Contest is set for April
8 at the Belle Glade Marina.
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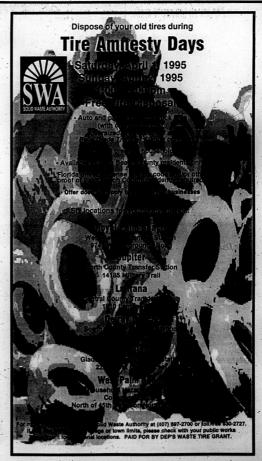
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# **Obituaries**

Weekley
Jennie M. Weekley, 90, of
Belle Glade, died Thursday,
March 23, 1995. Born in
Summerdale, Ala., Mrs.
Weekley moved to Belle Glade
years ago. She was a member
of the Apostolic Church of
Jesus Christ, Belle Glade.
She is survived by her sons:
Charles M. Weekley Jr.,
Norman S. Weekley and
William M. Weekley Jr.,
Norman S. Weekley Jr.,
Alice H. Mace; 15 grandshilderi,
if great-grandchildren;
and, seven great-grand-children;

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Services were held Monday, March 27, 1995, at Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ. Interment was held at Port Mayaca Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Mixson Funeral Home.

Thigpen

Tingpen
William H. "Billy" Thigben,
58, of Canal Point, died Friday,
March 24, 1995. A native of
Montgomery County, Ga., Mr.
Thigpen moved to Canal Point
in 1954. He worked at Pope
Sears Service Station for sever-

Minister to reveal inspirational story during Lenten Series

al years. He retired from the United States Sugar Corporation in April 1994 after 38 years of service. In 1962, when Bryant Mill was opened, he was employed in the Water Treatment Plant and at the time of his retirement was a foreman in the Boiler Room. He also coshed in the Pahokee Little League Association and served as umpire. Mr. Thigpen also coached women's softball. He was a former member of the Canal Point Lions Club and a member of Everglades and a member of Everglades Lodge No. 211, Free and

Accepted Masons, and Pahokee Chapter No. 164, Order of

Chapter No. 164, Order of Eastern Star. He was a mem-ber of the Providence Baptist Church: He is survived by his wife, the former Ann Jackson; maternal grandmether, Eunice Thompson; sisters: Carolyn (Phil) Lentile; and, Martha (Cedil Kersev brothers-in-law. (Cecil) Kersey; brothers-in-law: Henry Purcell and George Jackson; brother-in-law and his wife, Jimmy and Mary Jackson; sister-in-law and her husband, Sandra and Ray Suggs; father-in-law and moth-

er-in-law, Monk and Nellie Jackson, and, many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was proceed in death by his brother, John Louic Thippen; and sister, Rosalyn Furcell. Services were held Tuesday, March 28, 1995, at Canal Point United Methodist Church, with Rev Jackie McMillan officiale, Another service, was held thursday, March 30, 1995, at the Ronnie Stewart Funeral Home Chapel, Vidalia, Gallnerment was held at Sharpe Cemetery, Toombe County, GaArrangements, were under the direction of The James A. Bennett Funeral Home.

Malnegra

Esther Malnegra, 91, of Pahokee, died Monday, March 20, 1995, at her resi-dence. A native of Trinidad, Las-Villas, Cuba, she had

lived in Pahokee for the past 18 years having moved from Honduras. She was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church, Pahokee. She issurvived by her son, Manuel D. Rodrigues, daughter, Maria Fernander, Quevedo; brother, Eli Maine, sisters: Evora Saleines, Eluvina Mainegra, and Edese Mogene; three grandchildren; and, 2 great-grandchildren; and, 2 great-grand-children. children.

children.

Services were held
Thursday, March 23, 1995,
at the chapel of Our Lady
Queen of Peace Cemetery,
West Palm Beach. Father
John Mericantante officiated.
Entombment was in the
mausoleum at Our Lady
Queen of Peace Cemetery.
Arrangements were underthe direction of The James A.
Bennett Funeral Home.



The Canal Point United
Methodist Church's Lenten
Series This Is My Story' has
been an enriching experience
for everyone who attends. This
past Sunday evening, the
Sonshine Trio consisting of
Shirley Wagnon, Alice
Thompson and Sandra Jarriel
presented a noteable performance at the church. The
ladies filled the church with
their songs of praise to God for
His faithfulness throughout
their lives.

Having triumphed over adversity to achieve academic success, 85 young students are being honored as National Scholars of the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Scholars from

each state, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia, will convene April 5-8 for the Horatio Alger National

convene April 5-8 for the Horatio Alger National Scholars Conference in Washington, D.C. Roger Williams, a senior at Glade Central Community High School, will be among the 85 students honored.

This Sunday evening, April 2, at 7 p.m., the Rev. Don McMillan, pastor of Community United Methodist Church in Belle Glade, will share his personal spiritual pilgrimage. The community will arread the state of the

Each year the association awards college scholarships of \$5,000 to high school seniors who have displayed great academic promise and leadership despite having to overcome serious problems and difficult situations.

The National Scholars pro-

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The National Scholars program is one of the largest privately-funded scholarship programs in the country. More than \$700,000 in scholarships will be awarded this year. It is the only college financial aid program that specifically recognizes students who have

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Armed Forces for 25 years prior
to entering the pastoral ministry, and he is a fifth generation Floridan. He is married to
the pastor of Canal Foint
United Methodist Church, Rev.
Jackie McMillan.
The public is invited to hear
Rev. McMillan's story of God's
activity in his life. Refreshments
and fellowship will be held immediately following the service.
The church is located at the
corner of U.S. Highway 444
and Second St. in Canal Point. Belle Glade student honored as National Horatio Alger Scholar

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Alger Awards annually to a number of prominent adults whose hard work, honesty and initiative helped them overinitiative helped them over-come significant hurdles to achieve success. Award recipi-ents become members of the association which supports a variety of educational pro-grams for secondary school students including the National Scholars program.

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Lindrose

Funeral services have been set for Friday, March 31, at 1 p.m., for Earl A. "Spider" Lindrose, 78, who died Monday, March 27.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m., Thursday, March 30, at Mixson Funeral Home.

Mr. Lindrose was a lifelong resident of the Glades and was an insurance agent in the area until his retirement. He was a member of the Belle Glade Elks Lodge and the American Legion, Post 20.

Mr. Lindrose is survived by his daughters, Eileen and Raymond Paul Peters of Ft. Lauderdale, Suzanne Lindrose of Stone Lagoon, Cal., and Nena Kenyon of Miami Beach; one grandschild, Ginny Williams of Ft. Lauderdale and one great-grandson, Andrew Paul Williams, Ft. Lauderdale; two sisters, Edna Mae Swain, Miami, and Wilma Clark, Waverly,



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# Rosenwald Safety Patrols travel to Washington, D.C.

This month, first grade students have been studying a unit on Community Helpers. There have been many exciting commu-nity helpers that have come to speak to the students. They have speak to the students. They have had a postal worker, a representative from the Solid Waste Authority who shared recycling tips, a custodian, a school secretary, a data processor, an assistant state attomey, a child development associate, and a story teller. A field trip is also planned to the local police department, library and the fire station. Seventeen of Rosenwald's finest trekked to the nation's capital on the annual Safety Patal on the annual Safety Patal

tal on the annual Safety Patrol Trip. Mrs C. Gilliam and Mr. M. n served as the chaper from RES

from RES.
Officers Ruby and Rogers of the sheriff's department brought two of the k-9 units as a part of the

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community. The dogs were spoken to in German. The dogs are 2-3 12 years of age and are trained to detect drugs and hombs.

Annette Allen, fabulous first grade teacher who was nominated for Teacher of the Year, was one of the honorres at the Alipha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. Way to go Mrs. Allen, for all you give to the community.

Parent/Partner Reading Day was held Wednesday as a facet of our Success For All Reading Program.

senwald faculty and staff cordially invite the parents, com-munity and business leaders to the public presentation of ou 1995-96 School Improvement Plan. The presentation will be Plan. The presented Wednesday ednesday, April 12, in the vald cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m.
A Basic Computer Skills Class

Session II will be held Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-10 a.m. For more information or register for the classes, please contact Mrs. Gilliam in the office, or call 996-4970.

# Planned

# Parenthood plan awards reception

Planned Parenthood of the Palm Beach Area, Inc. and the Norton Museum of Art invite the community to attend the "Family Images" Art Exhibition and awards reception, which will fea-ture 400 works of art from 42 private and public schools in Palm

vate and public schools in Palm Beach County.

Art work by students from the coastal area of the county will be on display at the Norton Müseum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach, during the weekend of April 21-23. The awards recep-tion will be held Sunday, April 23, at 3 nm. Art work by students in at 3 p.m. Art work by students in the Glades area will be on display at the Zora Neale Hurston Roof Garden Museum, 316 S.W. Martin Luther King Blvd., Suite 102, from

Luther King Blvd, Suite 102, from April 14-30. The swants reception will be held April 22 at 3 p.m. at Southeast Bank, 41 St.W. Avenue B, Belle Glae. Patricia Schiller, MA, JD, chairwann of Planned Parenthood of the Palm Beach Area's Education and Training Committee, founded Family Images six years' ago and Training Committee, founded Family Images six years' ago and has been instrumental in its organization. According to Dr. Schiller, "Parnily Images encourages children to examine and express their views of family relationships using a variety of mediums.

views of family relationships using a variety of mediums. Judges for the 1995 Familyal Images Competition include and itsts and art critics. Each grade level (kindergarten through 12th), will have a first prize (\$100, se-ond prize (\$50), third prize (\$50, and an honorable mention (\$510, The Planned Parenthood Guild will present an award (\$200) for will present an award (\$200) for the most original work. The Schiller Grand Prize (\$400) will be awarded to an exceptional piece that truly reflects the meaning of



# LSMS captures basketball championship

championship of the Palm Beach County Middle School Activities Association. The

**Cator Tales** 

Sunny skies greeted visitors to Glades Day School's Spring Fling activities last Saturday, March 25, ensuring a day of

fun and games.

The morning began with a co-ed volleyball tournament and ended with selected faculty members planting smooches on a porker in the Kiss The Pig

contest. This year's honors went to Coach Pete Walker in

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sonal medical records by calling his office at (813)983-8531, Monday through Friday, 9 am to

only loss, coming from Boca Middel School, came in the county championship game. Coach Bennie Murvin said he is proud of the team's accomplishments considering the fact that they started three seventh graders throughout the sea-

the high school, third grade teacher Michelle Simpson from

the high school, third grade teacher Michelle Simpson from the West Campus, and Linda Markham and Cindy Baez, who ended up in a tie on the elementary's main campus.

Horace Harris of Belle Glade was the big winner of the 1995 Set DOO and trailer while GDS eighth grader Larry who gravet who the shotgun, and Chris Sullivan of Clewiston won the quilt donated by Log Cabin Quits of Sister's Choice Inc.

In between volleyball and In between volleyball and the drawings, young and old alike participated in activities such as the popular Gator Bingo, Treasure Chest, cake walk, basketball shoot, and other games.

leading scorer, averaging 25 points a game. Darnelius Jones was the leading rebounder, averaging 10 rebounds a game. bounds a game. Coach Murvin said, The success was a team effort

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free akip day for raising the most money at the Spring Fling. The eighth graders raised the eighth graders raised the eighth graders raised the eighth graders.

Attivities of a different kind were taking place at the school last Sunday when approximately 50 former GDS athlets took part in the second annual alumni baseball and softball games.

The baseball alumni, divided into "even" and "odd" teams,

depending upon the year they graduated, competed against each other. each other.

The "even" years dominated the baseball matchup as they jumped to an early lead and at one time were ahead 12-4, but gave up a few more runs before going on to win 12-7, their second in a new.

with players divided according to positions, the five-inning with players divided according to positions, the five-inning softball game was a bit closer as Team 2, headed by JV softball coach Joe Guethle, came from behind in the last inning to win the game 17-13 when, with the bases loaded, batter Vanis (Parist) Cariffor, beared

Janie (Priest) Griffin cleared the bases on a hit once (Friest) Griffin cleared the bases on a hit.
Once again, all players and coaches involved had a great time and are looking forward to their third alumni game

next year.

GDS would like to thank everyone for making this year's Spring Fling events a great

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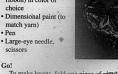
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- Hole punch
- · Yarn (or 1/8" wide ribbon) in color of choice
- match yarn)



To make hearts, fold one piece of vinyl in half widthwise. See Figure 1. Draw a half heart onto vinyl with center of heart on fold. Fold a second piece of vinyl over first, making sure folded edges are together. Trace a second heart onto vinyl. Cut out both hearts.

For holes, unfold hearts and place hearts on top of each other so edges are even. Punch holes evenly spaced around the edges of the hearts. For message, write "I Love Mom," or "I Love Dad" on one heart. Let dry. Place hearts together, with the sage heart on top. To lace hearts together, thread needle with yarn. Starting and ending at center dip, lace hearts together, then remove needle. Insert six candy kisses through opening at top. Tie yarn into a bow. If using ribbon, cut ends of bow at a slight slant.



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# 211 March Fun Facts . . . . .

St. Patrick used the shamrock to illustrate the Trinity. The shamrock illustrated that one leaf Innity, the snamrock illustrated that one leacan have three parts (as the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit), all separate yet all part of the same leaf. The sharmock has become the emblem of the Irish. Many Irish will not leave their country without laking a piece of sharmock or clover with them!

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# Goin' On A Safari

by Joe Lamancusa Little ones will love le ones will love this adventure! Hide your children's stuffed animals all around the house; under beds, inside cabinets, hanging over shelves, poking up from between pillows. Turn off all the lights (it's best to play this game in the evening). Use a flashlight and seek out all the wild





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e National Park Answer: Yellowston

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# Palm Glade Apartments now Glades Glen, A Campus For Living Community

Tammy Jackson Staff Reporter

A momentous occasion was held Saturday at Palm Glades Apartments as administrators and tenants of the 384-unit com-plex held a "kickoff" of the new plex held a "kickoff" of the new Glade's Glen, A Campus for Living. The Glades community along with businesses in the area were introduced to a new name and many extras the com-

The experiment being conducted in the Osceola National Forest/Okeefenoke Swamp vicini-

st of Waycross.

The decision on whether to

Ane decision on whether to provide Florida panthers into north Florida, or other areas of their historis range, will be based on biological considerations, public support and local acceptance of their reintroduction

their reintroduction.

Turnently, the only population of Florida panthers is in south Florida, said from Logan, head of wildlier research for the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. That leaves this animal highly vulnerable to the threat of extinction. A major storm, a highly contagious disease or some other catastrophe could wipe out the whole population."

Walt McCown, a wildlife biolo-gist working on the cougar experiemtn, said some local resi-dents have expressed concerns that the cougars might pose

plex will offer its residents.
According to Robert Walker,
of Glade's Glen, numerous,
names were submitted in hopes
of replacing 'Palm Glades'. He
said along with John Corbet,
chief executive officer of the complex, he and the office staff
renamed the complex in an
effort to implement the holistic
concept of living.
Mr. Walker said the complex

has two clubhouses, two swim-ming pools, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, and 24-

There, are 11 security guards which man the interior and exterior of the complex. The office is open Moriday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. until noon.

A tenant's association has also been formed consisting of adults and youths. The association was formed to increase the effort of relaying information fom the main office to complex residents.

The youth association was implemented in hopes that more parents and adults would become aware of the need to become active and involved in

last fall. It was up by 125 birds from the previous year. Snail kites are dark with a

Snail kites are dark with a white tail seperated by a black bar across it. It is also known as the Everglades kite.

The birds average 15 inches long with a 44-inch wing span. The snail kite feed sexclusively on apple snails. Snail kites nest from late December into

Everglades re-opens to public

Everglades Water Conservation Area 3A South in western Broward County - closed to public access since Sept. 29 because of high water - recently reopened.

The decision to open up the 6—square mile area was based in the fact that water levels had receded enough to that human activity won't stress the resident deer herd and other upland wildlife.

other upland wildlife.

Laura Richards, Everglades regional wildlife biologist with the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFC), said, the water levels have receded and mammals are no longer restricted to levees and tree islands.

Wildlife biologists documented 159 dead deer durign the high water period said Ms. Richards. The deer were stranded on the remaining high ground, quickly exhausted their forage, and fell prey to stravation, disease, stress and predation.

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"We closed the area to public access because their intrusion would force deer off the remaining dry ground out into the flooded marsh, putting them at higher risk, 'Ne. Richards said. The situation has now improved to the point where we can re-open most of the area."

Ms. Richards said Everglades Water Conservation Areas 2A north of the east west trail; 2B and 3B will remain closed as water levels there still remain higher than normal.

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what the complex has to offer the residents.

Mr. Walker said there is an average of 50 adults who attend the regularly-scheduled tenant association meetings. He also said there are approximately 35 active youths involved with the association.

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Many community groups participated in the kickoff including: West Coupty Mental Health, HRS, Juvenile Justice, CAP, CARP, Human Services, CAC, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Private Industry Council, Total Recovery, Sugarland Express,

August, peaking between isanuary and April. The survey is carried out by biologists in airbeats. This is a cooperative venture involving the National Biological Survey, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Vational Park Service, Plaim Beach County Solid Waste Authority, the Miccoaukee Tribe and the GFC.

Glades Community
Development Corporation.
Along with an abundance of
information on services that are
provided to residents, free hot
dogs and hamburgers ("Bob,
burgers") were served. Adults
and youths were able to engage
in volleyball games, and many
youngsters opted to have their
face painted.
According to Mr. Walker,
This is just a small portion of
the big thinge that the new
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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF EAST SHORE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF PELICAN LAKE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Experimental animals

to be recaptured soon threats to humans, although no attacks on humans have occurred

The experiment being conduction in the Oscola National Forest/Oksefenoke Swamp vicinity to determine the feasibility of reintroducing Florida panthers there, or in other areas of their former range, will end soon. In June, researchers plan to recapture the experimental animals still in the area and evaluate the data they've gathered during the three-year soludy. The seven cougars currently romazing the area include five from the wild in western Texas, one from the Gilman Paper Ca's captive breeding facility and one kitten born during the experiment. The cats exterted widely after their release. Three adult females and the female kitten are in Columbia County, The others—all males—are maintaining territories in south Georgia. One of the males roams south of Cairo and Thomasville; one is northeast of Valdosta; and, the other one is west of Waycross.

The decision on whether to nce the cats were released.

Dr. Allan Agbert, executive director of the commission, sais the agency will not proceed with the panther reintroduction pro-ject if results of the experiment indicate the animals cannot coex-

indicate the animals cannot cog-ist peacefully with people.
"There have been very few incidents where the cats have preyed on livestock and no tangi-ble evidence that the cougars have posed a threat to people," Mr. Egbert said. The commis-sion has arranged for reimburse-ment for livestock woners who lose animals to the cats during the experiment.

e experiment."
A total of 19 cougars were A total of 19 cougars were released during the experiment. Some of them have ranged as far north as Thomson, Ga, and as far north as Thomson, Ga, and as far west as Cairo, Ga. Five of the eats have died, and seven others were removed when they exhibited inappropriate behavior such as killing livestock of Tailing to demonstrate a normal fear of humans.

Researchers agree that the only way panthers' distribution and numbers can be exoanded in the wild through reintroduction.

In addition to the north

Florida cougar experiment, researchers will begin releasing eight female cougars into the wild in south Florida March 30 to restore the gene pool in the pan-ther population which is suffering ill-effects from a century of breed

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The commission, Florida
Department of Environmental
Protection, National Park Service
and U.S. Fish and Wildiré Service
formed the Florida Panther
Interagency Committee in the
1986 coordinate efforts to save the
Florida panther from extinction.

two basketball courts, and 24-hour security.

He also said rental fees for the apartments have increased minimally per unit in an effort to provide better service to the residents.

to provide better service to the residents. Residents are encouraged to maintain their apartments, how-ever, an experienced mainte-nance staff is available. List available. List available. List available. List is provided.

The office staff consists of four individuals, while mainteness taff employees equal eight.

Field surveys prove snail kites increasing

High water in the Evergiades has been devastating for white-tailed deer and other upland species, but apparently beneficial to the endangered snail kites, according to the latest field surveys. The highest count of snail kites statewide was recorded last fall in Water Conservation Area 3A South in western Broward County, according to Tim Towles, wildlife biologist with the Florida Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFC). (GFC).

The annual snail kite sur-"The annual snail kite survey totaled 996 hirds found in 25 different areas throughout the state," said Mr. Towels. This represents a 17 percent increase from last year." This is the highest number of kites recorded since the survey began in 1957. The single highest concentation of snail kites is in Water Conservation Area 3A South in Broward County where 470 kites were counted



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